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Reserve Officer Receives Coast Guard Commendation Ribbon

The Commandant of the U. S. Coast Guard has awarded the coveted Coast Guard Commendation Ribbon to Lieutenant Richard Stephen Wohlgemuth, USCGR. This Reserve officer was commended "For meritorious performance of duty on 12 February 1955, while serving as pilot of a Coast Guard helicopter engaged in the rescue of a Navy flier who had abandoned his aircraft over the Pacific Ocean approximately ten miles northwest of La Jolla, California. . ."

Lieutenant Wohlgemuth is currently on active duty at the Coast Guard Air Station, San Diego, California.

Attendance - ORTU's - April 1955

The national average attendance for the month of April 1955 was 91.3%

The highest district attendance for the month of April 1955 was in the Thirteenth District and was 94.3%.

The highest attendance in an ORTUAG for the month of April 1955 was Unit 05-147, Washington, D. C. - 95.4%

The highest attendance in an ORTUPS for the month of April 1955 was Unit 05-139, Baltimore, II - 98.3%

New Reserve Chief Reports Aboard This Month

Captain Harry Augustine Loughlin, USCG, reports this month at Headquarters to take over the helm as Chief, Reserve Division. He relieves Captain George A. Knudsen who will report for assignment to duty at the National War College in Washington, D. C., this August.

Captain Loughlin is a native of Portsmouth, New Hampshire, and was graduated from Portsmouth High School in 1923. He attended the University of New Hampshire and later the U. S. Coast Guard Academy where he was graduated and commissioned an Ensign on 15 May 1929. Captain Loughlin has served aboard the Cutter MOJAVE, the Destroyer MONAGHAN and HERNDON, the Cutter ARGO, the USS CHAMBERS (DE-391), and has commanded the Cutter ANDROSCOGGIN.

He received a Navy Commendation with Combat "V" for convoy operations in the Atlantic during World War II. Captain Loughlin served as officer-in-charge of the Officer Candidate School at the Coast Guard Academy where he was detached to assume the duty of Chief, Reserve Division.

Computation Of Points Under P. L. 810

The Secretary of Defense recently referred to the Comptroller General several questions concerning the correct method of computing retired pay under the provisions of Title III of the "Army and Air Force Vitalization and Retirement Act of 1948" (Public Law 810).

In Decision B-122988 dated 15 April 1955, the Comptroller General ruled, among other things, that a Reservist may be credited with a maximum of 365 points per year (366 in leap year) and that the 360 day year was for application only in the conversion of points into terms of years creditable for computing retired pay. In practical effect, this ruling gives the Reservist a slight bonus. It should be remembered, however, that no more than 60 points per year may be credited for participation in inactive duty training (drills, periods of equivalent instruction, periods of appropriate duty, periods of group training duty, and correspondence courses).

In the same decision, the Comptroller General also made the following rulings:

(1) In computing what portion of the 50 points may be credited for membership in a Reserve component prior to 30 June 1949, the number of days of active duty or active duty for training performed must be deducted from the total days of membership for each year.

(2) In computing what portion of the 15 points may be credited for membership in an active status in a Reserve component subsequent to 30 June 1949, the number of days of active duty or active duty for training performed must be deducted from the total days of membership for each year.

(3) In computing points that may be credited as a result of attendance at drills or performance of periods of equivalent instruction, no deduction is to be made for periods of active duty or active duty for training.

New Schools Added To NROS Program

Thirty-eight new schools have been added to the Naval Reserve Officers School program throughout the country. This brings the total to 68 schools that are available to inactive Coast Guard Reserve officers. Through the medium of these schools, Coast Guard Reserve officers can maintain their professional fitness requirements and earn retirement points.

Several half-year courses have been added to this year's curriculum. Officers enrolling for these new courses may begin in September or February. The new one-semester courses are Leadership, Personnel Administration, and Administration of Education & Training, Parts I & II. Two other full courses that have been added are Naval Justice and Contract Administration & Labor Relations.

New schools have been established in every continental Naval District except the 11th and 13th.

All officer students attend on a non-pay basis. The school courses

Coast Guard Unveils WW II Memorial

A memorial honoring the men and women who served their country in the United States Coast Guard during World War II was formally dedicated on May 30, at Battery Park, New York City.

The ceremonies began at 10:30 a.m. with a concert by the U. S. Coast Guard Academy Band. Present were such prominent persons as the Honorable H. Chapman Rose, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury; Mr. Robert Moses, Park Commissioner of the City of New York; Vice Admiral Alfred C. Richmond, Commandant of the U. S. Coast Guard; Mrs. James Munro (LT. Edith Munro, USCGR (W) Ret.), mother of former Coast Guardsman Douglas Munro, winner of the Congressional Medal of Honor; and Rear Admiral James A. Hirshfield, Assistant Commandant of the U. S. Coast Guard.

The invocation, prayer, and benediction were delivered in that order by Francis Cardinal Spellman, Archbishop of New York, Captain J. F. Dreith (ChC, USN), and Captain Joshua Goldberg (ChC, USN).

Two companies of cadets from the Coast Guard Academy at New London, Conn., made New York Harbor the first port of call on their annual summer training cruise in order to participate in the dedication ceremonies.

Tips On Training Aids

From time to time, the complaint is heard on the unavailability of various specified training films.

The following sentence is quoted from the Training Manual to emphasize an important point in regard to training films:

"The main point to remember in connection with the procurement of training films is that they are to be considered helpful but not essential to a lecture."

Read over the section on Training Films in Part One of the Training Manual. It contains much information that seems to need emphasizing.

Alameda Instructors

Selected

The administrative and instructing staff for this summer's recruit training at Alameda Receiving Center has been selected.

LCDR Carl H. Rosene has been named officer in charge. Enlisted personnel who will be there for all or part of the summer as instructors are Roos, CSC; Owen, GM1; Swedberg, ET1; Gettle, RM1; Black, HM2; Walker, ESG2; and Carson, AG3.



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SPAR Elizabeth D. Billings, SK1, and Coast Guardsman John Hegman, RM1, assist in the unveiling of the Service's World War II Memorial on May 30, at Battery Park, New York City.

Summer Recruit Training

The recruit training program for this summer is developing into the greatest year to date in Reserve Recruit Training. It is expected that a total of approximately 1700 recruits will be trained at Cape May and Alameda.

Cape May commenced training on June 18th with a total of 83 recruits reporting from the First, Third, and Fifth Coast Guard Districts. On June 23rd, 68 Reservists reported at this Receiving Center from the First, Third, Fifth, and Seventh Districts. It is anticipated that an average of 120 men will report at Cape May each week during the months of July and August for two weeks of training.

Alameda commenced training on July 3rd with fifty Reserve recruits reporting there from the 11th, 12th, and 13th Coast Guard Districts. It is anticipated that approximately fifty men will report to this west coast Receiving Center each week throughout July.

Both Cape May and Alameda have been manned by very capable staffs with the training for the two-week period being patterned after the 13-week, Regular recruit training program. Instruction will be given in Seamanship, Small Boats, range work, and several other major subjects necessary in training men for Coast Guard duties.

Annual Personnel Reports

Reservists, except those on extended active duty, are reminded that annual personnel reports were to have been submitted by 30 June. Those who have failed to do so should take immediate steps to fulfill this requirement. . . NOW!

The previous issue of the Coast Guard RESERVIST listed the forms required for each group and category of the Reserve. These forms have been distributed by the District Directors of Reserve. Under existing directives, it is the responsibility of each Reservist to obtain, complete, and return prescribed reports without delay.

July Cruises Shove Off

The following ORTUAG groups have shoved off for their two-weeks annual active duty for training aboard Coast Guard cutters:

ORTUAG 09-054 (Rochester, New York) departed from Boston on July 10th aboard the USCGC CASCO.

ORTUAG 11-310 (North Hollywood, Calif.) departed from Long Beach on July 10th aboard the USCGC PONTCHARTRAIN.

ORTUAG 02-115 (St. Paul, Minn.) departed from Saulte Ste. Marie on July 9th aboard the USCGC MACKINAW.

ORTUAGs 05-455 (Portsmouth, Va.) and 07-480 (Miami, Fla.) departed on July 9th from Miami aboard the USCGC ANDROSCOGGIN.

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(4) When membership credit is computed individually each year, a fractional credit of one-half point or more will be considered as one point.

The Comptroller General distinguished his rulings in (1) and (2) from (3) above on the basis that since drills and periods of equivalent instruction are not performed by Reservists while they are on active duty or active duty for training, there could be no possibility of double credit being given for such service.

It should be noted that, as a result of the ruling set forth in (2), the performance of 14 days active duty for training reduces the 15 membership points to 14. It therefore behooves those Reservists who have been depending upon 14 days active duty for training plus the 15 membership points to complete the bare minimum of 50 points per year, to earn a sufficient number of points through other forms of training so that when the deduction is applied, they will be entitled to be credited with a year of satisfactory Federal service.

ORTUPS Active Duty For Training Schedule: . Summer 1955

DISTRICT	UNITS TO BE TRAINED	PROPOSED TRAINING LOCATION	ESTIMATED NO. OF PERSONNEL	
			OFF.	ENL.
First	All ORTUPS (8)	COTP, C.G. Base, Boston	76	360
Second	ALL ORTUPS except 02-430, Pittsburgh, Pa.	COTP, New Orleans, La.	27	200
	ORTUPS 02-430, Pittsburgh	COTP, Norfolk, Va.	10	56
Third	All ORTUPS	COTP, New York, N.Y.	118	530
Fifth	All ORTUPS	COTP, Norfolk, Va.	67	460
Seventh	All ORTUPS	COTP, Jacksonville, Fla.	47	240
Eighth	ORTUPS 08-425, New Orleans, La., and ORTUPS 08-470, Baton Rouge, La.	COTP, New Orleans, La.	14	110
	ORTUPS 08-610, Houston, Tex., and ORTUPS 08-655, Galveston, Tex., and ORTUPS 08-865, Dallas, Tex.	COTP, Galveston, Tex.	17	79
Ninth	ORTUPS 09-098, Buffalo, N.Y., and ORTUPS 09-039, Syracuse, N.Y.	Buffalo Base	8	70
	ORTUPS 09-237, Detroit ORTUPS 09-203, Toledo	Detroit Base	13	85
	ORTUPS 09-163, Cleveland	Cleveland LBS	10	80
	ORTUPS 09-588, Chicago ORTUPS 09-668, Milwaukee	Chicago LBS	18	110
Eleventh	All ORTUPS (8)	CG Base, Terminal Island, San Pedro, Cal.	50	300
Twelfth	All ORTUPS (5)	COTP, San Francisco, Cal.	46	192
Thirteenth	All ORTUPS	COTP, Seattle, Wash.	40	320
Fourteenth	ORTUPS 14-295	COTP, Honolulu, T.H.	5	31

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are run much like a college year with 40 periods, or drills, each the equivalent of two hours classroom work. For successful completion of any course, each officer must pass midterm and final examinations as well as meeting attendance requirements.

By conscientiously working at one of these schools, a Coast Guard Reserve officer can easily meet the retirement points requirements and keep himself in line for promotion. Officers in this program are encouraged to apply for two-weeks paid ACDUTRA each summer, preferably in the field in which they have just completed study. Coast Guard Reserve officers may apply to their District Commanders unless they are on the Inactive Status List or a member of the Retired Reserve.

The following list of cities shows the location of the NROS schools:

Boston	Whitestone, N. Y.
Providence	Freeport, N. Y.
Portland, Maine	New York City
Lynn-Salem	New Haven
Worcester	Albany
Huntington, N. Y.	Buffalo

Jersey City
Newark
Clifton, N. J.
Columbus, Ohio
Toledo
Philadelphia
Pittsburgh
Cleveland
Cincinnati
Louisville
Richmond
Norfolk
Alexandria, Va.
Washington
Baltimore
Atlanta
Columbia, S. C.
Knoxville
Tampa-St.
Petersburg
Winston Salem
Coral Gables,
Fla.
Durham
Houston
Dallas
San Antonio
Fort Worth
El Paso
Austin
Corpus Christi

Amarillo
Beaumont
Midland, Texas
Baton Rouge
New Orleans
Lafayette, La.
Little Rock
Tulsa
Oklahoma City
Kansas City, Mo.
Minneapolis-St.
Paul
St. Louis
Forest Park, Ill.
Chicago
Madison
Milwaukee
Evanston, Ill.
Detroit
Denver
Los Angeles
San Diego
Ontario, Calif.
Fresno
Sacramento
San Jose
Salt Lake City
San Francisco
Seattle
Portland, Oregon

Camera! Action!

"Now here this!"...If you're a Reservist shoving off for summer active duty training, and you have a camera among your gear, remember that The Coast Guard RESERVIST would like to see those pictures you take for possible publication.

The trick is to "click" your ship-mates while they are actually "doing" something. Let us see them "on the job" aboard ship, actually training with equipment they've been studying about all year at weekly drill meetings. This is the kind of pictorial reporting your publication is looking for Now! And here is your opportunity to show off your unit as a "working" group sharing responsibilities and duties with the Regular Coast Guard.

All training pictures should be captioned, Reserve personnel identified whenever possible, and then forward photos to Commandant (PR) at Coast Guard Headquarters. One of the fall issues of The Coast Guard Reservist will be dedicated to a report on summer training...so let us see your pictures for possible publication.

Schedule For 1956 Reserve Promotion Boards Listed

A tentative schedule for promotion boards convening during fiscal year 1956 to consider Reserve officers for promotion has been announced, together with the promotion zones of officers eligible for consideration for promotion.

Officers are eligible for consideration if they are senior in grade to the junior officer in the zone, indicated below, and who:

- 1--Are in an active Reserve status (not Retired or members of the Standby Reserve, USCGR-S2--Inactive Status List) and
- 2--have met minimum promotional requirements by earning an average of 50 points per year since 1 July 1952.

The junior Reserve officer within the promotion zone for each grade is:

Promotion to	Name & Service No.	Precedence No. in 1954 Register
CAPT	None	
CDR	LCDR Oscar W. DILLON (35545)	R-320
LCDR	LT Omar H. COWLES (39948)	R-1594
LT	LTJG Charles W. FOGLESONG (39988)	R-2439
LTJG*	ENS Robert L. PROSSER (40600)	R-3545

*It is anticipated that additional zones of promotion to lieutenant (jg) will be opened during the fiscal year 1956

The tentative convening dates for each promotion board is as follows:

Promotion to:	CAPT	CDR	LCDR	LT	LTJG
Tentative date:	-	- 8/15/55	- 9/1/55	- 9/15/55	- 9/15/55

These are the initial boards convened under the provisions of the Reserve Officer Personnel Act of 1954 which became effective on 1 July 1955. Each officer eligible for consideration is advised of his right to forward through official channels a written communication inviting attention to any matter of record in the Armed Forces concerning himself which he may deem important to his consideration for promotion. Such communications, however, may not criticize or reflect upon the character, conduct or motive of any other officer.

Officers within the zone should insure that fitness reports for training duty, annual fitness reports, and other annual personnel reports are submitted in time to be included in the officers' records when presented to the promotion board.



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Officers, men and spars of the USCG ORTUPS 02-225 at the U. S. Naval Armory, Foot of Ferry Street St. Louis, Missouri.
Commander John B. Swann, Jr., USCGR, who is the Director of Reserve for the Second Coast Guard District, believes that this Coast Guard Reserve Unit is the Largest in the United States, with a total of 17 Officers, 134 Enlisted Men and 2 Spars.

Changes In Assignments Of District Reserve Directors

Captain Harold B. Roberts, USCG, has been relieved by Captain Simon R. Sands, Jr., USCG, as Director of the Reserve, Third Coast Guard District. Captain Roberts has taken over the duties of Chief, Auxiliary Division, at Headquarters in Washington, D.C.

In the 12th District, Commander Russell A. Serenberg, Jr., USCG, has been assigned Director of the Reserve, relieving Commander Robert S. Lecky, USCG, who has reported for duty as Commanding Officer of the USCGC KUKUI in Honolulu.

Inspection Plan Established For ORTUs

A standard system of inspection for Organized Reserve Training Units has been inaugurated to evaluate the effectiveness of the Reserve training program from a manning, training and readiness standpoint.

Annual inspections will be made of each ORTU, either as an inter-district inspection or an intra-district inspection. Inter-district inspections shall be made, generally, by the District Director of the Reserve and members of his staff, from an adjacent district. Intra-district inspections shall be made by three (3) officer members; one member must be the District Director of the Reserve or an officer of his staff; the second member must be a Reserve officer who is the commanding officer, executive officer, or training officer of an Organized Reserve Training Unit other than the unit being inspected; the third member shall be a Regular or Reserve officer serving on active duty.

An inspection check-off list has been developed which must be completed by members of each inspection party. The senior member of the inspection party will then forward the inspection check-off list to the Commandant (PR) via the district commander of the district in which the inspected unit is located.

Comments as to the effectiveness, practicality, and utilization of the check-off list will be welcome from all interested personnel.

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